Toil in the Sun

shoal

▶ noun

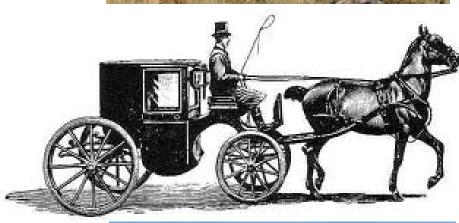
• A shallow area in a sea or ocean, *e.g.* Our boat got stuck on a shoal.

poach

▶ verb

- 1. To take game or fish illegally, e.g. Greedy people poach dear and elephants and sell their horns; People who poach animals are called poachers; If anyone is caught poaching elephants, they will be sent to jail.
- 2. To take something unfairly, e.g. The Australian cricket team poached the best players from the Indian cricket team (i.e. They took the best players.





coach

▶ noun

- 1. A vehicle, generally drawn by horse, *e.g. Before* there were cars, people traveled in horse-drawn coaches.
- 2. A sports trainer, e.g, He is our cricket coach.
- 3. A luxury bus, e.g. We went on a holiday to Jagganath Puri by coach.

▶ verb

- 1. To train, e.g. Some students go to tuition to get special coaching to pass exams.
- 2. To teach, e.g. *She has coached many opera stars*.



shear

▶ verb

• To remove the wool from a sheep etc by clipping, *e.g. The man was shearing the sheep*.

▶ noun

• (Shears) A cutting tool similar to scissors, but larger, e.g. Do you have a pair of shears that I could borrow to cut some branches off this plant.



farmer ▶ noun

A person who grows food crops or who keeps farm animals, especially on a large piece of land (a farm), e.g. My uncle is a farmer, he grows wheat and rice on his farm.



shook

▶ verb [shake, shaking, shook, shaken]

• Simple past tense of 'shake' (see below), e.g. *The earthquake shook the building; The baby shook his rattle.*



shake

► verb [shake, shaking, shook, shaken]

- 1. To cause (something) to move rapidly back and forth, e.g. *The baby was shaking his rattle, Do not shake the cold drinks, otherwise when we open the lid, the drink will come out.*
- 2. To move (one's head) from side to side, especially to indicate a negative, e.g. *Shaking his head, he kept saying, "No, no, no".*

3. To shiver or tremble, e.g. *She shook with cold; I was so scared that I started shaking.*

4. To shake hands, e.g. You two stop fighting - shake hands and be friends; OK, let's shake on it!

▶ noun

A milkshake, e.g. Would you like a mango shake?

tooth

- ▶ noun (plural teeth)
 - A bone in the mouth used for eating, e.g. I lost a tooth.







booth

▶ Noun

• An enclosure just big enough to accommodate one standing person, e.g. *This is a telephone booth; These are voting booths.*





plough

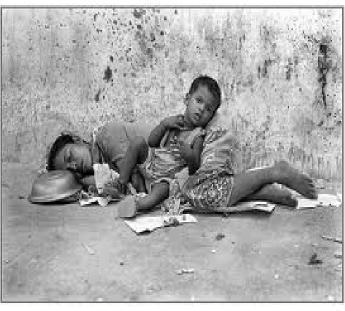
▶ noun

- 1. A device pulled through the ground in order to break it open for planting, e.g. *We have a bull who pulls the plough for us.*
- 2. A tractor used to make holes in the ground, *e.g.* We have a big farm so we use a mechanical plough.

▶ verb

To use a plough on to prepare for planting, e.g. The bull is ploughing the field; Some days I have to plough the feild from sunrise to sunset.

plow (US) Alternative spelling of 'plough'.



poor

- **▶** adjective
 - 1. Having little money, e.g. We were so poor that we couldn't afford shoes.
 - 2. Of low quality, e.g. That was a poor performance; He is a poor singer.
 - 3. Pitiful, e.g. Oh you poor little thing! You hurt your knee, poor baby.

► Collective noun

1. [used with 'the'] The group of people who have little money, e.g. We should do something to help the poor.

work

- **▶** noun
 - 1. (uncountable) Employment,
- occupation, job, e.g. My work involves a lot of travel; He hasn't come home yet, he's still at work.
- 2. (uncountable) Effort, e.g. Holding a brick over your head is hard work; It takes a lot of work to write a dictionary; Is this your work? Is your work complete? Do you have any work to do today?



1. The tasks done for employment, e.g. *He works in a bar*; Where do you work? You are always working, you never

take a break.

working

- **▶** adjective
 - Functioning, e.g. My phone is not working, can I borrow your phone?

word

- **▶** noun
 - 1. A group of letters with a particular meaning, e.g. There are seven words in this sentence.
 - 2. A promise; an oath or guarantee, e.g. I give you my word that I will be there on time.
 - 3. A brief discussion or conversation, e.g. *Can I have* a word with you?



▶ verb

To put words in order so that they sound good, e.g. I'm not sure how to word this letter to the council; If you word the question 'What do you think you're doing?' then of course I will get angry. It would be better to word it, 'Excuse me, what are you doing?'



worm

▶ noun

1. An animal that lives underground and has no eyes, e.g. Worms help to plough the soil because they make holes in the ground when they move from one place to another.

worth

▶ adjective

- 1. Having a value of...e.g. My house is worth double what I paid for it two years ago; How much is your motorbike worth?
- 2. Deserving of, e.g. Talking to him is not worth my time; The money I get for this job makes it worth all the effort I put in.



▶ noun

(countable) Value, e.g. Please give me a dollar's worth of candy, please; 1 kilogram of carrots is worth Rs20.

